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TO: IMMEDIATE WHITE HOUSE//SITUATION ROOM FOR MR MCHANIS,
STATE RCI//OPERATIONS CENTER FOR MR FRY, NMCC//ATTENTION
CIA REP. TREASURY DEPT//INFO MR JOHN YEO.
WARNING NOTICE SENSITIVE INTELLIGENCE SOURCES AND METHODS
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SUBJECT: GUATEMALA: ELECTION RETURNS

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WITH ROUGHLY 34 PERCENT OF THE ANTICIPATED TOTAL VOTE
ANNOUNCED, THE GOVERNING COALITION CANDIDATE, GENERAL KJELL
LAUGERUD, LEADS WITH 43 PERCENT. THE LEFTIST NATIONAL OPPOSITION
FRONT CANDIDATE, GENERAL EFRATH RIOS, TRAILS WITH 37 PERCENT, AND
COLONEL ERNESTO PAIZ OF THE CENTRIST REVOLUTIONARY PARTY IS THIRD
WITH 20 PERCENT.

4 SHOULD THIS TREND CONTINUE, LAUGERUD WILL WIN THE PLURALITY
3 AND CONGRESS WILL CHOOSE HIM AS THE NEXT PRESIDENT. VOTE FRAUD
2 IN LAUGERUD'S FAVOR IS EXPECTED, BUT ITS FULL EXTENT MAY NEVER
1 BE KNOWN. IF THEIR MAN LOSES NARROWLY, RIOS SUPPORTERS SAY

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THEY WILL HOLD VIOLENT DEMONSTRATIONS TO PROTEST GOVERNMENT FRAUD.

SO FAR, HOWEVER, THE COUNTRY IS CALM.

THE GOVERNMENT IS PURPOSELY HOLDING BACK ANNOUNCING RETURNS FOR THE CAPITAL (WHICH ACCOUNTS FOR 25 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL VOTES) AND FOR OTHER URBAN CENTERS UNTIL IT HAS RECEIVED RETURNS FROM THE RURAL AREA, WHERE LAUGERUD IS FAVORED. POSITIVE RESULTS MAY NOT BE KNOWN UNTIL LATE TONIGHT. E2 IMPDET.H

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